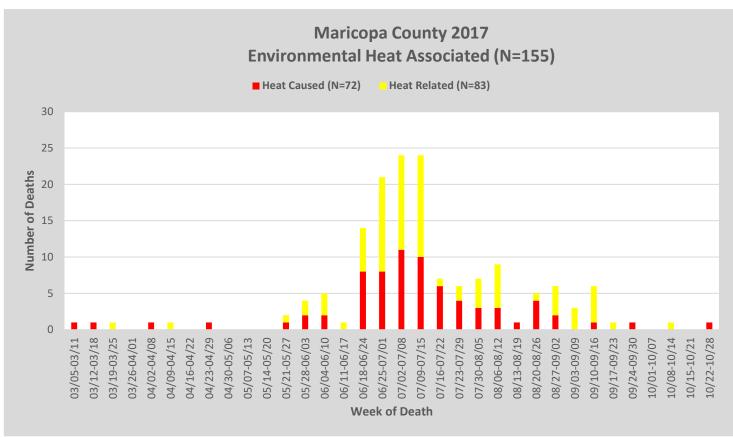


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Maricopa County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) conducts weekly heat associated mortality surveillance. The enhanced heat surveillance season usually begins in May and ends in October. This heat season (2017), there have been a total of **155 confirmed heat associated deaths**. Cooling and hydration stations in Maricopa County are open to the public throughout the heat season. For more information on Heat, please visit <a href="http://www.HeatAZ.org">http://www.HeatAZ.org</a>.



<sup>\* 24</sup> pending deaths

| Year Total | Place of Injury |         |     | Air Conditioning Status<br>(Indoor Deaths Only) |    |                |     | Age Group |         |         |       |       |      |     |
|------------|-----------------|---------|-----|-------------------------------------------------|----|----------------|-----|-----------|---------|---------|-------|-------|------|-----|
|            | Indoor          | Outdoor | Unk | Off                                             | On | Non Functional | Unk | 75 +      | 65 - 74 | 50 – 64 | 35-49 | 20-34 | 5-19 | 0-4 |
| 155        | 63              | 92      | 0   | 25                                              | 3  | 21             | 14  | 35        | 23      | 48      | 29    | 16    | 1    | 2   |

<sup>\*</sup> An air conditioning status of ON, indicates blowing hot air.

<sup>\*\*</sup>One death has an unknown age.

|                         |           | 2017 Cases          |                 | 2016 Cases |                     |                 |  |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|--|
|                         | Confirmed | Under Investigation | First Confirmed | Confirmed  | Under Investigation | First Confirmed |  |
| Season Cumulative Total | 155       | 24                  | 4/10/2017       | 151        | 3                   | 6/13/2016       |  |

\*Counts are preliminary and may increase as additional data are received.

**Heat Caused (HC)**: Cases that mention heat or heat exposure in Part I of the death certificate causes of death (diseases or conditions in the direct sequence causing death), for variables cod\_a, cod\_b, cod\_c, or cod\_d. County of death: Maricopa.

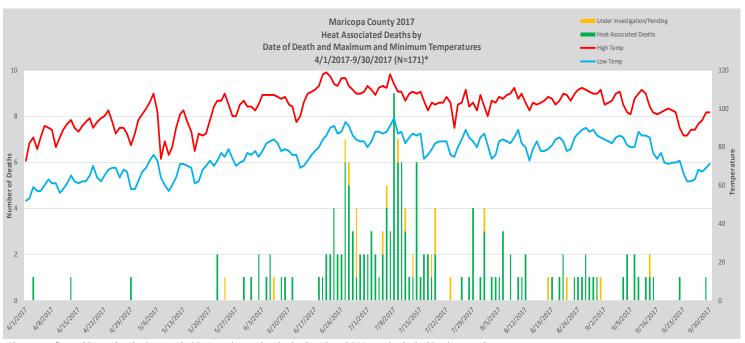
**Heat Related (HR):** Cases that mention heat exposure in Part II of the death certificate causes of death (diseases and conditions contributing but not directly resulting in the death sequence), but not in any of the Part I variables (cod\_a, cod\_b, cod\_c, or cod\_d). County of death: Maricopa.

**Under Investigation (UI):** Cases the Maricopa County Office of Medical Examiner suspects are heat associated deaths. Data Sources: Maricopa County, Office of Vital Registration and Office of Medical Examiner; Arizona Department of Health Services, Office of Vital Registration

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Table 1: Confirmed Heat Deaths by Month with Temperature Data, Maricopa County (N=155)

|           | Average T | emperatures | Number of Days | Number of Days | Days of Excessive | Number of |  |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|--|
| Month     | MAX       | MIN         | 110 or Above   | 100 or Above   | Heat Warning      | Deaths    |  |
| March     | 84        | 57          | 0              | 0              | 0                 | 3         |  |
| April     | 89        | 62          | 0              | 0              | 0                 | 3         |  |
| May       | 95        | 70          | 0              | 12             | 0                 | 4         |  |
| June      | 108       | 81          | 11             | 26             | 13                | 41        |  |
| July      | 106       | 84          | 8              | 28             | 3                 | 64        |  |
| August    | 105       | 83          | 4              | 29             | 3                 | 27        |  |
| September | 99        | 76          | 2              | 12             | 0                 | 11        |  |
| October   | 94        | 67          | 0              | 0              | 0                 | 2         |  |



<sup>\*</sup>Three confirmed heat deaths in March 2017 and two deaths in October 2017 not included in the graph.